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1. Purges have started among the armed forces in Korea<sup>1</sup>; more than fifty medium-grade cadres who were found to be opposed to the war or lacking in militant enthusiasm have been expelled from the armed forces and sent to rear areas for trial.

2. Two generals have been reprimanded, two political commissars of divisions have been imprisoned and another removed from office for the recent costly military blunders. They all will be permitted to expiate their errors by future meritorious effort.

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1. [ ] Comment. The nationality of the purged men was not indicated, but it is assumed [ ] more likely to have access to information about the Chinese Communist Army than the North Korean Army.

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